

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, November 7, 2002, the following members were present:

Gary Feland, Chairman
Jay Stovall, Vice Chairman
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Matt Brainard, Commissioner
Bob Rowe, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Steve Vick
Utility Division

(465) In the matter of the PSC's Winter Termination Policy; The PSC's winter termination rules require regulated utilities to obtain PSC approval before shutting off electric or natural gas service to a nonpaying residential customer from November 1 to April 1. Commission policy has been to delegate authority on an annual basis to the PSC compliance staff to approve or disapprove utility requests for winter shutoffs. Staff seeks PSC action on delegation of authority for this winter's shutoff requests. Commissioner Anderson moved to delegate authority to PSC compliance staff for approval of winter termination. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(466) In the matter of T-02.100.PCN; On September 9, 2002 David R. Colbrese dba Glendive Taxi, Glendive, Montana filed an application for a Montana Intrastate Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. That application was noticed to the public on October 10, 2002 and no protests were received.

Class B - Passengers between all points and places within the city of Glendive, Montana and a ten (10) mile radius thereof

Commissioner Feland moved to approve the application. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(467) In the matter of T-02.101.PCN; On September 19, 2002 Ernestine Morey dba Roundup Icon Taxi Service, Roundup, Montana filed an application for a Montana Intrastate Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. The application was noticed to the public on October 10, 2002 and no protests were received.

Class B - Passengers between all points and places in Roundup, Montana and a 100 mile radius thereof. LIMITATION: All transportation movements must originate or terminate in Roundup, Montana.

Commissioner Feland moved to approve the application. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(468) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes; Commissioner Stovall moved to approve the

Commission Minutes for the week of October 28, 2002. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GARY FELAND, Chairman

JAY STOVALL, Vice Chairman

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

MATT BRAINARD, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rhonda J. Simmons
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

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Jay Stovall, Vice Chairman
Bob Anderson, Commissioner
Matt Brainard, Commissioner
Bob Rowe, Commissioner

Commissioner Feland was absent and left his proxy with Commissioner Brainard.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Eric Eck

(469) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the Application for PSC Determination of EWG Status for Milltown Dam and Montana Megawatts Plant, Docket Nos. D2002.10.129 and D2002.10.131, respectively; Commissioner Anderson moved to notice the application to request a hearing and comment on procedure and scope in the dockets. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Brainard cast Commissioner Feland's proxy aye.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Dave Burchett

(470) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Montana-Dakota Utilities Gas General Rate Case, Docket No. D2002.5.59; Commissioner Rowe moved to grant the motion in limine, subject to the hearings officer and staff identifying witnesses needed no less than 10 days prior to the hearing. Commissioner seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Brainard cast Commissioner Feland's proxy aye.

Commissioner Rowe moved to issue the amended interim order based on the parties request. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Brainard cast Commissioner Feland's proxy aye.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson

(471) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Wettington Acres Application to Establish Water and Sewer Rates, Docket No. D99.5.136; Commissioner Brainard moved to suspend the schedule. Commissioner Rowe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Brainard cast Commissioner Feland's proxy aye.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson

(472) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Mountain Water's Rate Case and Linda Vista Tariff Change, Docket No. D2002.5.60; Commissioner Rowe moved to grant the motion in limine. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Brainard cast Commissioner Feland's proxy aye.

APPEARANCE
Martin Jacobson

(473) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Rost/Ellis Disposal Services Application for Class D Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, Docket No. T-02.83.PCN; Commissioner Brainard moved to approve the amended application for authority, subject to minor staff modifications for continuity with authorities in general and enforceability. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Brainard cast Commissioner Feland' s proxy aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

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Jay Stovall, Vice Chairman
Matt Brainard, Commissioner, via telephone
Bob Rowe, Commissioner

Commissioner Anderson was absent but left a verbal vote with the Commission Secretary.

APPEARANCE
Robin McHugh

(474) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Standard Market Design NOPR; Commissioner Rowe moved to join in the motion to extend the filing deadline so that all comments are due on the January date. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Anderson voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GARY FELAND, Chairman

JAY STOVALL, Vice Chairman

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

MATT BRAINARD, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rhonda J. Simmons
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)